ARIZONA HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES

NOVEMBER 9, 2000 MEETING

1700 W. Washington Room 200 Phoenix, Arizona 85007

The Arizona Historical Advisory Commission (AHAC) met at 11:00 a.m. on November 9, 2000 at the Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.

ATTENDANCE

Members LeRoy Brady, Manager,

Roadside Development, Department of Transportation

Shelley Cohn, Executive Director

Arizona Commission on the Arts

Brad Cole, Curator of Manuscripts, Cline Library/

Historic Preservation Consultant, Northern Arizona

University, Flagstaff, Coconino County

Jim Garrison, State Historic Preservation Officer, Statutory member

State Historic Preservation Office, Arizona State Parks

George Gumerman, Director, Statutory Member

Arizona State Museum

Joel Hiller, Interim Executive Director, Statutory Member

Arizona Historical Society

Ken Rozen, Manager

Natural Resources, State Land Department

Don Ryden

Ryden Architects

GladysAnn Wells, Director, Ex-Officio Secretary

Arizona StateLibrary, Archives and Public Records

Also Attending Michael Carman, Division Director, Museum Division

Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records

David Hoober, State Archivist, History and Archives Division, Arizona State

Library, Archives and Public Records

ABSENT

Members Jannelle Warren-Findley, Chair

Public History Program, Arizona State University

Edgar Perry, Cultural Specialist

White Mountain Apache Tribe

Kenneth Travous, Director, Statutory Member

Arizona State Parks

Also Absent Tim Norton, Chair

Arizona State Board on Geographic and Historic Names

Call to order

Vice-chair Brad Cole called the meeting to order at 11:20 a.m.

Introductions and announcements

Guests present at the beginning of the meeting: Bettina Rosenberg, Arizona Department of Transportation and Charles Gilbert, Arizona Archaeological Society. Additional guests who joined the meeting for the discussion with the Arizona Archaeology Advisory Commission: Jerry Howard, Mesa Southwest Museum, Carol Griffith, State Historic Preservation Office and Alan Dearwester, Arizona Archaeological Society

Ken Rozen announced that he has assumed a new position with the Arizona State Land Department. He is now the Department's Legislative Liaison.

Approval of August 24, 2000 minutes

The minutes were approved as distributed.

Review of vote on Arizona Historical Properties and Antiquities Advisory Commission

Wells reported that the proposal had been approved by a vote of seven to five.

Review of Arizona Archaeology Advisory Commission meeting, September 21, 2000

Wells noted that Cole, Garrison, Gumerman and Rozen had also attended the very productive Arizona Archaeology Advisory Commission meeting in Flagstaff. She reported that the AAAC voted not to accept either of the proposals that AHAC had discussed at its August 24, 2000 meeting. Instead, members expressed a desire to continue the discussion, and so Wells had recommended to the Library Board that AHAC continue to gather information from its constituencies.

Review of Library Board Meeting, October 5, 2000

Wells reviewed the handout entitled "Excerpt from Library Board Meeting, October 5, 2000." [A copy is attached to these minutes.] At that meeting she had been authorized to continue to study issues related to the Commission and to present to the next Board meeting her recommendations on the direction for the Commission.

Wells then reported that she had asked Legislative Council for assistance in evaluating the antiquities and the historic preservation statutes to try to determine legislative intent in establishing the Commission. With Legislative Council's help, she will make a report to AHAC and the Library Board.

Gumerman and Hiller asked what AHAC should do until the next Library Board meeting. Wells responded that it could

Participate in Legislative Council's analysis of the statutes Continue discussion with AHAC's constituent groups Discuss Mr. Travous' concept of a state agency historic preservation forum Reach out to the Native American community

Garrison said that there had been an archaeological issue between the antiquities and historic preservation acts. He also cited linkages between the historic preservation and arts communities to illustrate potential difficulty in reaching consensus on the broad array of issues that could surface when the statutes were evaluated.

Wells said that Garrison had summarized AHAC's frustration of the last year, but the Library Board's request for the analysis and the inclusion of other group such as the AAAC and the tribes, offered the basis for a work plan to resolve the frustration.

Rozen said that an impartial and thorough Legislative Council analysis is a critical first step. Wells hoped that there would be a report by the next meeting which would include a statement on how the Commission can benefit the entire state and how it can involve the wider community. She could not, however, commit Legislative Council to a schedule.

Discussion with Arizona Archaeology Advisory Commission

Dr. David Wilcox summarized the September 21 discussion between the Arizona Archaeology Advisory Commission and AHAC representatives, reiterating the points Wells had presented earlier [see. p.2]. He stressed that there had been a good discussion and that repeated that the AAAC had voted to remain independent.

Cole returned to the earlier discussion of how AHAC should proceed by suggesting definition of an action plan. Members discussed the breadth and narrowness of a mission statement without reaching consensus.

They discussed AHAC as an instrument for interaction between members and other groups and a venue for cooperation in advising the legislature. AHAC could also serve as an information clearinghouse about several activities, e.g., the Pop Fair, Arizona Archives Week, the Cultural Resource Inventory, observance of Statehood Day, SHPO's publication of a guide to researching historical properties, the Constitution Commemoration Committee, celebration of the centennial of the state and celebration of the centennial of the state capitol

Carol Griffith, SHPO, and Bettina Rosenberg, ADOT, warned of the impact of legislative changes on agencies such as the SHPO and the Arizona State Museum. Griffith and Rosenberg were concerned that changes could have major affect on interaction with tribal groups and certified local governments. Ayres added that AHAC's activities should be limited to what it can and should do.

Garrison moved that AHAC accept Wells' report on the Library Board meeting, that the Commission focus on the review of the AHAC statute, the historic preservation statute and the antiquities act, and that it support the work of Legislative Council toward a positive result from this effort. Motion carried.

Members agreed informally that members of AHAC should serve as liaisons between the Commission's allied groups: Gumerman with the Arizona Archaeology Advisory Commission, Hiller with the Arizona Historical Records Advisory Board and Don Ryden with the Historical Sites Review Committee.

Wells suggested that the tight time frame for AHAC's response to Legislative Council's report would not be tight, so the Commission could be flexible in scheduling meetings for that purpose.

Wells encouraged members to participate in the Arizona Convocation to be held in Prescott on March 4-5. The Convocation, sponsored by ASLAPR, is for anyone interested in primary Arizona research materials. Wilcox invited ASLAPR to participate in the Archaeology Expo to be held in Globe on March 17-18. Wells expressed an interest in having a booth for the agency's Cultural Inventory Project.

Next meeting

The commission will meet on February 15 at 1 p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Hoober